

1 AN ACT concerning elections.

2 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,
3 represented in the General Assembly:

4 Section 5. The Election Code is amended by changing
5 Sections 4-6, 4-6.1, 5-5, 5-16.1, 6-29, 6-50, and 6-50.1 as
6 follows:

7 (10 ILCS 5/4-6) (from Ch. 46, par. 4-6)

8 Sec. 4-6. For the purpose of registering voters under
9 this Article in addition to the method provided for precinct
10 registration under Section 4-7, the office of the county
11 clerk shall be open every day, except Saturday, Sunday, and
12 legal holidays, from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. On Saturdays the
13 hours of registration shall be from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon,
14 and such additional hours as the county clerk may designate.
15 If, however, the county board otherwise duly regulates and
16 fixes the hours of opening and closing of all county offices
17 at the county seat of any county, such regulation shall
18 control and supersede the hours herein specified. There shall
19 be no registration at the office of the county clerk or at
20 the office of municipal and township or road district clerks
21 serving as deputy registrars during the 28 days preceding any
22 regular or special election at which the cards provided in
23 this Article are used, or until the 2nd day following such
24 regular or special election; provided, that if by reason of
25 the proximity of any such elections to one another the effect
26 of this provision would be to close registrations for all or
27 any part of the 10 days immediately prior to such 28 day
28 period, the county clerk shall accept, solely for use in the
29 subsequent and not in any intervening election, registrations
30 and transfers of registration within the period from the 28th
31 to the 38th days, both inclusive, prior to such subsequent

1 election; provided, further that at the office of such clerks
2 registration shall be permitted on the 28th day preceding the
3 election in November of even-numbered years in any county in
4 which such day is not designated as a day of precinct
5 registration. In any election called for the submission of
6 the revision or alteration of, or the amendments to the
7 Constitution, submitted by a Constitutional Convention, the
8 final day for registration at the office of the election
9 authority charged with the printing of the ballot of this
10 election shall be the 15th day prior to the date of election.

11 Any qualified person residing within the county or any
12 portion thereof subject to this Article may register or
13 re-register with the county clerk. The county clerk shall
14 provide for precinct registration on election day. A person
15 registering on election day must be a resident of the
16 precinct in which he or she registers.

17 Each county clerk shall appoint one or more registration
18 or re-registration teams for the purpose of accepting the
19 registration or re-registration of any voter who files an
20 affidavit that he is physically unable to appear at any
21 appointed place of registration or re-registration. Each team
22 shall consist of one member of each political party having
23 the highest and second highest number of registered voters in
24 the county. The county clerk shall designate a team to visit
25 each disabled person and shall accept the registration or
26 re-registration of each such person as if he had applied for
27 registration or re-registration at the office of the county
28 clerk.

29 As used in this Article, "deputy registrars" and
30 "registration officers" mean any person authorized to accept
31 registrations of electors under this Article.

32 (Source: P.A. 83-1059.)

33 (10 ILCS 5/4-6.1) (from Ch. 46, par. 4-6.1)

1 Sec. 4-6.1. In addition to registration at the office of
2 the county clerk, and at the offices of municipal and
3 township or road district clerks, each county clerk shall
4 provide for the following additional methods of
5 registration:

6 (1) the appointment of deputy registrars as
7 provided in Section 4-6.2; and

8 (2) the establishment of temporary places of
9 registration, as provided in Section 4-6.3.

10 Each county clerk may provide for precinct registration
11 pursuant to Section 4-7 in addition to precinct registration
12 on election day as provided in Section 4-6.

13 (Source: P.A. 91-357, eff. 7-29-99.)

14 (10 ILCS 5/5-5) (from Ch. 46, par. 5-5)

15 Sec. 5-5. For the purpose of registering voters under
16 this Article 5, in addition to the method provided for
17 precinct registration under Sections 5-6 and 5-17 of this
18 Article 5, the office of the county clerk shall be open
19 between 9:00 a. m. and 5:00 p. m. on all days except
20 Saturday, Sunday and holidays, but there shall be no
21 registration at such office during the 35 days immediately
22 preceding any election required to be held under the law but
23 if no precinct registration is being conducted prior to any
24 election then registration may be taken in the office of the
25 county clerk up to and including the 29th day prior to an
26 election. On Saturdays, the hours of registration shall be
27 from 9:00 a. m. to 12:00 p. m. noon. During such 35 or 28 day
28 period, registration of electors of political subdivisions
29 wherein a regular, or special election is required to be held
30 shall cease and shall not be resumed for the registration of
31 electors of such political subdivisions until the second day
32 following the day of such election. In any election called
33 for the submission of the revision or alteration of, or the

1 amendments to the Constitution, submitted by a Constitutional
2 Convention, the final day for registration at the office of
3 the election authority charged with the printing of the
4 ballot of this election shall be the 15th day prior to the
5 date of the election. The county clerk shall provide for
6 precinct registration on election day. A person registering
7 on election day must be a resident of the precinct in which
8 he or she registers.

9 Each county clerk shall appoint one deputy for the
10 purpose of accepting the registration of any voter who files
11 an affidavit that he is physically unable to appear at any
12 appointed place of registration. The county clerk shall
13 designate a deputy to visit each disabled person and shall
14 accept the registration of each such person as if he had
15 applied for registration at the office of the county clerk.

16 The offices of city, village, incorporated town and town
17 clerks shall also be open for the purpose of registering
18 voters residing in the territory in which this Article is in
19 effect, and also, in the case of city, village and
20 incorporated town clerks, for the purpose of registering
21 voters residing in a portion of the city, village or
22 incorporated town not located within the county, on all days
23 on which the office of the county clerk is open for the
24 registration of voters of such cities, villages, incorporated
25 towns and townships.

26 (Source: P.A. 84-762.)

27 (10 ILCS 5/5-16.1) (from Ch. 46, par. 5-16.1)

28 Sec. 5-16.1. In addition to registration at the office of
29 the county clerk and at the offices of municipal and township
30 clerks, each county subject to this Article shall provide for
31 the following methods of registration:

32 (1) The appointment of deputy registrars as provided in
33 Section 5-16.2;

1 (2) The establishment of temporary places of
2 registration as provided in Section 5-16.3.

3 Each county subject to this Article may provide for
4 precinct registration pursuant to Section 5-17 in addition to
5 precinct registration on election day as provided in Section
6 5-5.

7 (Source: P.A. 83-1059.)

8 (10 ILCS 5/6-29) (from Ch. 46, par. 6-29)

9 Sec. 6-29. For the purpose of registering voters under
10 this Article, the office of the Board of Election
11 Commissioners shall be open during ordinary business hours of
12 each week day, from 9 a.m. to 12 o'clock noon on the last
13 four Saturdays immediately preceding the end of the period of
14 registration preceding each election, and such other days and
15 such other times as the board may direct. During the 28 days
16 immediately preceding any election there shall be no
17 registration of voters at the office of the Board of Election
18 Commissioners in cities, villages and incorporated towns of
19 fewer than 200,000 inhabitants. In cities, villages and
20 incorporated towns of 200,000 or more inhabitants, there
21 shall be no registration of voters at the office of the Board
22 of Election Commissioners during the 35 days immediately
23 preceding any election; provided, however, where no precinct
24 registration is being conducted prior to any election then
25 registration may be taken in the office of the Board up to
26 and including the 29th day prior to such election. The Board
27 of Election Commissioners may set up and establish as many
28 branch offices for the purpose of taking registrations as it
29 may deem necessary, and the branch offices may be open on any
30 or all dates and hours during which registrations may be
31 taken in the main office. All officers and employees of the
32 Board of Election Commissioners who are authorized by such
33 board to take registrations under this Article shall be

1 considered officers of the circuit court, and shall be
2 subject to the same control as is provided by Section 14-5 of
3 this Act with respect to judges of election.

4 In any election called for the submission of the revision
5 or alteration of, or the amendments to the Constitution,
6 submitted by a Constitutional Convention, the final day for
7 registration at the office of the election authority charged
8 with the printing of the ballot of this election shall be the
9 15th day prior to the date of election.

10 The board shall provide for precinct registration on
11 election day. A person registering on election day must be a
12 resident of the precinct in which he or she registers.

13 The Board of Election Commissioners shall appoint one or
14 more registration teams, consisting of 2 of its employees for
15 each team, for the purpose of accepting the registration of
16 any voter who files an affidavit, within the period for
17 taking registrations provided for in this article, that he is
18 physically unable to appear at the office of the Board or at
19 any appointed place of registration. On the day or days when
20 a precinct registration is being conducted such teams shall
21 consist of one member from each of the 2 leading political
22 parties who are serving on the Precinct Registration Board.
23 Each team so designated shall visit each disabled person and
24 shall accept the registration of such person the same as if
25 he had applied for registration in person.

26 Any otherwise qualified person who is absent from his
27 county of residence due to business of the United States, or
28 who is temporarily residing outside the territorial limits of
29 the United States, may make application to become registered
30 by mail to the Board of Election Commissioners within the
31 periods for registration provided for in this Article or by
32 simultaneous application for absentee registration and
33 absentee ballot as provided in Article 20 of this Code.

34 Upon receipt of such application the Board of Election

1 Commissioners shall immediately mail an affidavit of
2 registration in duplicate, which affidavit shall contain the
3 following and such other information as the State Board of
4 Elections may think it proper to require for the
5 identification of the applicant:

6 Name. The name of the applicant, giving surname and
7 first or Christian name in full, and the middle name or the
8 initial for such middle name, if any.

9 Sex.

10 Residence. The name and number of the street, avenue or
11 other location of the dwelling, and such additional clear and
12 definite description as may be necessary to determine the
13 exact location of the dwelling of the applicant. Where the
14 location cannot be determined by street and number, then the
15 section, congressional township and range number may be used,
16 or such other information as may be necessary, including post
17 office mailing address.

18 Term of residence in the State of Illinois and the
19 precinct.

20 Nativity. The state or country in which the applicant
21 was born.

22 Citizenship. Whether the applicant is native born or
23 naturalized. If naturalized, the court, place and date of
24 naturalization.

25 Age. Date of birth, by month, day and year.

26 Out of State address of

27 AFFIDAVIT OF REGISTRATION

28 State of)

29) ss.

30 County of)

31 I hereby swear (or affirm) that I am a citizen of the
32 United States; that on the day of the next election I shall
33 have resided in the State of Illinois and in the election
34 precinct 30 days; that I am fully qualified to vote, that I

1 am not registered to vote anywhere else in the United States,
2 that I intend to remain a resident of the State of Illinois,
3 and of the election precinct, that I intend to return to the
4 State of Illinois, and that the above statements are true.

5
6 (His or her signature or mark)

7 Subscribed and sworn to before me, an officer qualified
8 to administer oaths, on (insert date).

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10 Signature of officer administering oath.

11 Upon receipt of the executed duplicate affidavit of
12 Registration, the Board of Election Commissioners shall
13 transfer the information contained thereon to duplicate
14 Registration Cards provided for in Section 6-35 of this
15 Article and shall attach thereto a copy of each of the
16 duplicate affidavit of registration and thereafter such
17 registration card and affidavit shall constitute the
18 registration of such person the same as if he had applied for
19 registration in person.

20 (Source: P.A. 91-357, eff. 7-29-99.)

21 (10 ILCS 5/6-50) (from Ch. 46, par. 6-50)

22 Sec. 6-50. The office of the board of election
23 commissioners shall be open during ordinary business hours of
24 each week day, from 9 a.m. to 12 o'clock noon on the last
25 four Saturdays immediately preceding the end of the period of
26 registration preceding each election, and such other days and
27 such other times as the board may direct. There shall be no
28 registration at the office of the board of election
29 commissioners in cities, villages and incorporated towns of
30 fewer than 200,000 inhabitants during the 28 days preceding
31 any primary, regular or special election at which the cards
32 provided for in this Article are used, or until the second
33 day following such primary, regular or special election. In

1 cities, villages and incorporated towns of 200,000 or more
2 inhabitants, there shall be no registration of voters at the
3 office of the board of election commissioners during the 35
4 days immediately preceding any election; provided, however,
5 where no precinct registration is being conducted prior to
6 any election then registration may be taken in the office of
7 the board up to and including the 29th day prior to such
8 election. In any election called for the submission of the
9 revision or alteration of, or the amendments to the
10 Constitution, submitted by a Constitutional Convention, the
11 final day for registration at the office of the election
12 authority charged with the printing of the ballot of this
13 election shall be the 15th day prior to the date of election.

14 The board shall provide for precinct registration on
15 election day. A person registering on election day must be a
16 resident of the precinct in which he or she registers.

17 The Board of Election Commissioners shall appoint one or
18 more registration teams, each consisting of one member from
19 each of the 2 leading political parties, for the purpose of
20 accepting the registration of any voter who files an
21 affidavit, within the period for taking registrations
22 provided for in this Article, that he is physically unable to
23 appear at the office of the Board or at any appointed place
24 of registration. On the day or days when a precinct
25 registration is being conducted such teams shall consist of
26 one member from each of the 2 leading political parties who
27 are serving on the precinct registration board. Each team so
28 designated shall visit each disabled person and shall accept
29 the registration of such person the same as if he had applied
30 for registration in person.

31 The office of the board of election commissioners may be
32 designated as a place of registration under Section 6-51 of
33 this Article and, if so designated, may also be open for
34 purposes of registration on such day or days as may be

1 specified by the board of election commissioners under the
2 provisions of that Section.

3 (Source: P.A. 79-1134.)

4 (10 ILCS 5/6-50.1) (from Ch. 46, par. 6-50.1)

5 Sec. 6-50.1. In addition to registration at the office of
6 the board of election commissioners, the board of election
7 commissioners shall provide the following methods of
8 registration:

9 (1) The appointment of deputy registrars as provided in
10 Section 6-50.2;

11 (2) The establishment of temporary places of
12 registration as provided in Section 6-50.3.

13 The board of election commissioners may provide for
14 registration pursuant to Section 6-51 in addition to precinct
15 registration on election day as provided in Section 6-50.

16 (Source: P.A. 83-1059.)

17 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
18 becoming law.